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DROSERA LINEARIS

LINEAR-LEAVE

Linear-leaved sundew is a perennial with a cluster of basal leaves and leafless, glabrous stems that are 6-13 cm tall. The linear leaf blades are 2-5 cm long and approximately 2 mm wide. Petioles are flat and 3-7 cm long, while blades are covered with long, purple, gland-tipped hairs that trap insects. The 1-4 flowers are borne in a narrow, open inflorescence at the tip of the stem. The 5 egg-shaped, white petals are approximately 6 mm long, and the sepals are 4-5 mm long. The fruit is a small capsule less than 1 mm long and rounded. Flowering late June-August, fruiting in late September.

This species is difficult to distinguish from the more common *DROSERA ANGLICA*. The leaves of *D. LINEARIS* are more linear and the seeds less than 1 mm and are rounded on the ends rather than tapered to a point.